



STATE OF WASHINGTON

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL
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July 8, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jim Luce called the July 8, 2009 Special meeting to order at 905 Plum Street S.E., Room 301, at 12:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council members present were:

Jim Luce	Chair
Dick Fryhling	Community, Trade & Economic Development
Mary McDonald	Department of Natural Resources
Jeff Tayer	Department of Fish and Wildlife
Dick Byers	Utilities and Transportation Commission
Hedia Adelsman	Department of Ecology

Staff in attendance were:

Allen Fiksdal – EFSEC Manager, Stephen Posner – Compliance Manager, Jim La Spina – EFS Specialist, Kyle Crews - AAG AGO, C Robert Wallis – Administrative Law Judge and Tammy Talburt - Administrative Assistant.

Guests in attendance were:

Karen McGaffey – Perkins Coie, Chris McCabe – Association of Washington Business, and Alice Blado – AAG AGO.

Guests attending via phone:

Liz Klupp, Peter Coswell, and Rob Swedo of Bonneville Power Administration, Rick Adair - Clearing up, Katy Channey - URS, Irina Makarow – HDR and Pam Russell – Electric Daily.

3. Bonneville Power Administration – Transmission Siting

Chair Jim Luce reviewed a draft work plan between Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and the Council for the proposed Big Eddy-Knight Transmission Project. This Work plan agreement is made and entered into by and between BPA and EFSEC. Chair Luce reviewed the history of the establishment of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between BPA and EFSEC.

BPA currently has three transmission projects it is working on; the Central-Ferry/Lower Monumental, the Big Eddy-Knight, and I-5 reinforcement projects. The Chair has been working with BPA over the past few months, reviewing the MOA/MOU and developing the proposed work plan. There have been discussions with the Governor's office, as well as the State of Oregon.

EFSEC's Role:

- a) Provide BPA with "State standards" relying primarily on EFSEC's existing rules and DFW's Fish and Wildlife Guidelines.
 - (1) Council members or Council member designees for respective agencies provide input on standards.
 - (2) Goal is by 7/30/09 to have Washington and Oregon provide:
 - (a) Comment as a cooperating agency on NEPA EIS's being prepared.
 - (b) Coordinate among State agencies, others as determined to allow the State to speak with "one voice" consistent with "one stop shopping"
 - (c) Coordinate with the State of Oregon's EFSEC
 - (d) Work with Governor's Office to keep it closely apprised
 - (e) Propose small committee to work with Chair on these issues.
 - (f) Council "action" not required although a "Report" to BPA or to the Governor may be appropriate as events unfold.

BPA's Role:

- a) Cooperate with State, follow State standards, carefully consider State comments offered as a cooperating agency.
- b) Compensate EFSEC for work performed.

The Council requested more information from BPA on the projects, a presentation from BPA on more of the details for the projects. The Council members will ask members of their respective agencies to attend the information meeting. This meeting will assist with the development of standards.

4. Adjudicative Hearing Process

Mr. C Robert Wallis, EFSEC Administrative Law Judge reviewed with the Council the procedure of the Adjudicative Hearing for the Desert Claim Wind Power Project.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 pm.